Dear first-year history students,

Let us be the first to welcome you to the History bachelor at Utrecht University. For many of you, this will be the beginning of a new phase in your life. A new bachelor, a new city and hopefully many new friends. Of course, it is also a strange period to start studying at this moment, as it is still unclear whether physical education can take place in block 1 of next academic year. As the introduction committee, we will do everything we can to help you get started and to be prepared to this new phase in your life!

This letter from the Introduction Committee 2020-2021 accompanies the package with all the information for your first days at the History bachelor in Utrecht. The introduction days take place from **Monday the 31th of August till Thursday the 3rd September**. These days will consist of an online Faculty Day (Monday) and social activities that will be organised online throughout the week. Unfortunately, it is not possible to organize a large-scale camp for you this year. Physical activities have also been cancelled this year due to the Corona virus. The online faculty day is mandatory and will mainly consist of getting to know your new fellow students and your own tutor group. The activities on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are completely voluntary. However, it is very nice to get to know new people through these online activities! It is definitely recommended to be present online at these activities, so keep that in mind!

The Introduction Committee is responsible for the organisation of these activities.

Besides this welcome letter, there are more letters and other files on the website that may come in handy. Other information you can find on the site:

- A welcome letter from Prof. Dr. Leen Dorsman, Head of Department History and Art History and Dr. Christianne Smit, Education Director History and Art History.
- An information letter from study advisor Drs. Evelien Hazewinkel and Laurens Meindertsma MSc, Luuk Dijksta MA, study advisor Dutch and English.
- The Alternative Study Guide. Here you will find everything you need to know about the student life of the history student.
- An information package from the study association, the Utrechtse Historische Studentenkring (UHSK), containing an application form to become a member, an Argus (the member magazine of the UHSK) and an Aanzet (the historical scientific journal of the UHSK). In addition, there is a book list to order your books online at a discount via the UHSK. This is only possible if you also become a member.

The introduction days are an official part of the study and therefore attendance during the online Faculty Day is also compulsory!

Despite the Corona virus we hope to give you a nice introduction! We look forward to seeing you online (for now)!

The Introduction Committee 2020-2021

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